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1. DEPUTY KUSLO CHIEF LTC PRINSLOW AND LTC BEDINGER,
TDY FROM SOCCENT TO KUSLO, MET AUG. 4 WITH THE GOK
INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE AND KENYA DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
(KDOD) TO DISCUSS FURTHER THE DETAILS OF OVERLAND
MOVEMENT TO U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT IN
KENYA IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SUPPORT HOPE.
COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN BRIGADIER IKENYI, DEPUTY CHIEF OF
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OPERATIONS, KDOD, INFORMED COMMITTEE MEMBERS THAT THE
GOK HAD APPROVED THE U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL DRIVING
U.S. MILITARY TRUCKS WITH HUMANITARIAN RELIEF
MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT THROUGH KENYA TO UGANDA. HE
INFORMED THE PARTICIPANTS THAT THE COMMITTEE HAD THE
AUTHORITY TO DECIDE ISSUES RELATING TO THIS OPERATION
AND THAT PERMISSION FROM HIGHER AUTHORITY WAS NOT
REQUIRED. HE NOTED THAT MANY OF THE COMMITTEE'S
ACTIVITIES DEPENDED ON INPUT AND INFORMATION FROM
KUSLO (USG) REGARDING TRANSSHIPMENT PLANS.

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2. IKENYI REVIEWED ISSUES RAISED FROM THE AUGUST 2 MEETING. NEW DECISIONS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

-- A. POLICE HAVE BEEN TASKED TO PROVIDE SECURITY AT THE STOPS FOR FUEL AND REST/LODGING.

-- B. REQUESTED WAIVING OF FEES AT THE UGANDAN BORDER WAS GRANTED.

3. KUSLO RAISED THE FOLLOWING ISSUES/REQUESTS:

-- A. TWO U.S. DRIVERS PER VEHICLE -- APPROVED.

-- B. U.S. PERSONNEL OPERATE THESE VEHICLES IN MILITARY UNIFORM (BDU) -- APPROVED.

-- C. REQUEST CONVOY SECURITY AND ESCORTS FROM KENYA POLICE AND TRAFFIC CONTROL POINTS -- APPROVED, THE DETAILS TO BE WORKED OUT BETWEEN KUSLO AND THE KENYA POLICE.

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-- D. REQUEST TO MOVE AT NIGHT IN THE INTEREST OF AVOIDING TRAFFIC -- DISAPPROVED; TIMES FOR MOVEMENT WILL BE WORKED OUT WITH THE KENYA POLICE AND KUSLO.

-- E. REQUEST FOR USMC AIRCRAFT TO OVERFLY THE CONVOY AND ROUTE TO ASSIST IN IDENTIFYING INOPERATIVE VEHICLES WAS INITIALLY DISAPPROVED ON GROUNDS THAT OVERFLYS WERE TOO VISIBLE A SIGNATURE OF U.S. MILITARY ACTIVITY AND COULD BE VIEWED BY THE KENYAN POPULACE AS THREATENING IN NATURE. HOWEVER, WHEN SUGGESTED THAT THESE HELICOPTERS WERE AN ASSET THAT COULD AID KENYAN POLICE IN TRAFFIC CONTROL, ASSISTANCE IN MOVING PERSONNEL OR MEDICAL EVACUATION PURPOSES, THE COMMITTEE WAS FAR MORE RECEPTIVE TO THE IDEA AND DECIDED WILL LEAVE IT UP TO THE KENYAN POLICE TO DECIDE WHETHER THEY WOULD LIKE TO USE THEM/CAN USE THEM.

-- F. KUSLO AFFIRMED THAT NO U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL WOULD CARRY WEAPONS BUT EXPLAINED THAT EARLIER SOME U.S. MILITARY HAD BEEN DEPLOYED TO AFRICA WITH WEAPONS DUE TO THE SECURITY SITUATION IN RWANDA AND

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Zaire and that therefore some transiting personnel
may have arrived in Kenya with weapons. KUSLO noted
it was trying to determine if any U.S. personnel in
country had weapons and, if so, secure them in a
central location under U.S. guard in Mombasa prior to
shipping them back to the U.S. or Germany. Ikenyi
proposed that they be left in Mombasa at a centrally
secured location until the drivers return from the
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OPERATION. THEY COULD THEN BE RETURNED HOME WITH THE
SOLDIERS. THIS WAS ACCEPTED BY KUSLO AS A PREFERRED
OPTION.

-- G. TRAINING OF DRIVERS AND CERTIFICATION OF THEIR
COMPETENCY TO DRIVE IN KENYA -- IKENYI REPLIED THAT
THE KENYAN GOVERNMENT HAD ALREADY APPROVED THEIR

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DRIVING IN KENYA. KUSLO OFFERED THAT WE WOULD WELCOME ANY ADDITIONAL TRAINING THAT THE KENYAN POLICE MIGHT WANT TO VERIFY THE SAFETY OF U.S. OPERATORS AND THEIR AWARENESS OF KENYAN HIGHWAY LAWS. THE PURCHASE OF HIGHWAY RULES OF THE ROAD BOOKS WILL BE PURSUED BY KUSLO.

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4. IN THE INTEREST OF MAINTAINING AN OPEN DIALOGUE AND TO ALLAY SOME OF THE SUSPICIONS OF U.S. ACTIVITIES AS EXPRESSED BY THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS REP, KUSLO INFORMED TH COMMITTEE THAT THERE ARE NOW 16 MEMBERS OF THE TALCE AT NAIROBI VICE THE 13 ON AUGUST 2. (THE NUMBER OF PERSONNEL WITH ACCESS TO THE TARMAC WAS A MAJOR CONCERN OF THE AIRPORT MANAGER AT THE FIRST MEETING). IKENYI EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER UNAUTHORIZED PERSONNEL FLYING INTO KENYA ON USAF PLANES. KUSLO INFORMED HIM THAT A POSSIBLE REQUEST FOR OTHER NATION MILITARY PERSONNEL TO FLY ABOARD U.S. AIRCRAFT TO EUROPE COULD BE FORTHCOMING. SUCH AIRCRAFT MAY REQUEST TO REFUEL IN MOMBASA. IKENYI APPRECIATED THE FOREWARNING AND STATED THAT IT WOULD REQUIRE SEPARATE AUTHORIZATION.

5. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS, QUESTIONS AND UPDATES FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS WERE AS FOLLOWS:

-- A. IKENYI WANTED TO KNOW HOW AND BY WHOM MATERIEL WAS BEING MOVED FROM THE SHIPS IN MOMBASA PORT TO MOI AIRPORT AND IF THE MATERIEL WAS BEING STORED AT MOI OR BEING PLACED DIRECTLY ONTO THE PLANES? KUSLO RESPONDED THAT U.S. MILITARY PLANS CALL FOR

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TRANSPORTING MATERIAL FROM THE SHIPS UNCLASSIFIED
AND STRAIGHT ONTO THE AIRCRAFT IN ORDER TO AVOID
ANOTHER TRANSSHIPMENT POINT.

-- B. THE KENYA AIRPORTS AUTHORITY (KAA) REP
REPORTED THAT THE FUEL SITUATION AT NAIROBI WAS
ADEQUATE AT CURRENT CONSUMPTION RATES FOR THE NEXT
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FOUR TO FIVE DAYS (AUGUST 9, 1994) DUE TO THE RECEIPT
OF 9,000,000 LITRES OF JET AVIATION FUEL BY NOON
AUGUST 4.

-- C. AS ANNOUNCED IN NOTICE TO AIRMEN (NOTAM)
KHQ042 DATED 010733UTC AUG 94, MOI AIRPORT IN MOMBASA
IS CLOSED DURING THE NIGHT FOR CONSTRUCTION. THE
LAST DEPARTURE IS 2145 HOURS AND THE LAST PERMITTED
ARRIVAL IS 2215 HOURS. IKENYI INDICATED THAT IF
CLOSURE OF MOI AIRPORT AT THOSE HOURS WAS CONSIDERED
A SHOW STOPPER, THE GOK WOULD RECONSIDER. OTHERWISE
THE OVERRIDING CONCERN OF THE KENYAN GOVERNMENT WAS
ABIDING BY THE CONTRACT FOR THE REPAIRS AND UPGRADE
OF THE AIRPORT.

-- D. THE KAA REP ASKED KUSLO ABOUT COMPENSATION FOR
DAMAGES AT MOI AIRPORT IN MOMBASA. KUSLO STATED THAT
IF ANY DAMAGES OCCURRED THEY NEEDED TO BE DOCUMENTED,
PREFERABLY PHOTOGRAPHED AND IMMEDIATELY BROUGHT TO
THE ATTENTION OF THE U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL IN
MOMBASA. (A JAG OFFICER IS PRESENT). ON THE
QUESTION OF WEAR AND TEAR TO THE RUNWAY AS A RESULT
OF INCREASED USE, MFA REP MWAURA OPINED THAT IT WOULD
BE BEST TO ESTABLISH NOW A PROCEDURE TO ASSESS
DAMAGES AND DERIVE JUST COMPENSATION SO THAT THERE IS
NOT A TWO YEAR LEGAL BATTLE SUCH AS THAT WHICH
OCCURRED AFTER OPERATION RESTORE HOPE (SOMALIA).
KUSLO AGREED IN PRINCIPLE THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
EXISTING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND IN THE BEST
INTEREST OF ALL PARTIES THIS QUESTION BE ADDRESSED
NOW AND NOT AFTER THE FACT, (I.E., THE OPERATION IS
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COMPLETED). KDOD SUGGESTED A JOINT INSPECTION OF THE
RUNWAY OR OTHER FACILITIES ON A DAILY BASIS BETWEEN
THE USAF AND THE KAA.

-- E. IKENYI WANTED TO KNOW WHAT GOODS THE U.S.
MILITARY WOULD PURCHASE IN KENYA ABOVE AND BEYOND THE

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NORMAL FOOD, BEVERAGES, FUEL AND SERVICES TO SUPPORT
THE CONVOYS. KUSLO STATED THAT THEY WOULD REQUEST A

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LIST OF CONTRACTS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN ASSIGNED TO
BE LET FROM THE CENTCOM/EUCOM CONTRACTING OFFICER IN
MOMBASA.

6. THE MEETING ADJOURNED (THE KUSLO REPS WERE
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EXCUSED) WITH THE GUIDANCE THAT WHEN KUSLO (U.S.
MILITARY) HAD MORE DETAILS ON THE PARTICULARS OF THE
CONVOYS TO BE CONDUCTED IT WOULD INFORM IKENYI AND A
PLANNING MEETING WITH KENYA POLICE WOULD BE ARRANGED.

7. KUSLO PREVIOUSLY FAXED THIS MESSAGE TO
APPROPRIATE MILITARY ADDRESSES. FOSTER##

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